

of his hip and on the sole of his foot the size of a twenty-five cent piece. I took the man to the doctor where his burns were dressed and in a day or two he had entirely recovered and felt no serious effects whatever.

sinusitis treated by Krause operation and alcohol injections.

A lively discussion of these cases followed in which Drs. Graham, Wintermute, McNaught, Horn, Nagel, Welty, Lucchetti and Fredericks participated.

It was voted to continue these clinical meetings in the future.

## SOCIETY REPORT

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

During the month of May the following meetings were held:

#### Section on Medicine, Tuesday, May 6, 1913.

1. Review of Blood Findings which may assist in the Diagnosis of Carcinoma. Donald Currie. Discussed by H. D'A. Power and J. Rosenstirn.
2. Report of Case of Bilateral Hematuria Treated by Subcutaneous Injection of Blood. L. W. Allen. Discussed by M. Krotoszyner, R. L. Rigdon, M. Silverberg, J. Rosenstirn, W. B. Stevens, J. J. Hogan and Cullen Welty.
3. Report of Case of Hemorrhage in New Born Treated by Subcutaneous Injection of Blood. T. D. Maher. Discussed by H. R. Oliver and H. J. Kreutzmann.

#### General Meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 1913.

1. Demonstration of Moving Pictures. Dudley Tait. (a) Technic of Vessel Anastomosis; (b) Transfusion; (c) Visceral Organisms.
2. Colds in their Relation to the Physics of the Atmosphere. C. M. Richter. Discussed by A. McAdie, K. Pischel and J. J. Kingwell.

#### Section on Surgery, Tuesday, May 20, 1913.

1. Presentation of Case of Raynaud's Disease. C. G. Levison.
2. Diagnosis and Treatment of Urethral Calculus, with Report of Unusual Case. W. E. Stevens. Discussed by A. B. Grosse, and M. Krotoszyner.
3. Theory and Practice of Artificial Transfusion. J. J. Hogan. Report of two cases. B. F. Alden. Discussed by J. Eaves, J. Rosenstirn, S. T. Pope, S. C. Keck and M. Krotoszyner.
4. X-Ray Demonstration. L. P. Howe. Section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

#### Tuesday, May 27, 1913.

This meeting, which was called to order at 4:30 p. m., Dr. Horn presiding, was a clinical one, as proposed at the previous meeting of this section, and was an innovation which proved to be very successful. The program follows:

Dr. Horn presented:

- (a) Fibro-sarcoma of the nasal pharynx in an adult.
- (b) A case of anthrax and lues of the nose.
- (c) A case of ulcer of the posterior pillar of the palate.

Dr. C. S. G. Nagel:

- (a) A case of essential shrinkage of the conjunctiva.
- (b) A young girl with acquired conical corneae.

Dr. McNaught:

- (a) Adult with a pan-sinusitis treated with alcohol injections and healed radical mastoid in six weeks.

Dr. V. F. Lucchetti:

- (a) Case of pseudo glioma of the left eye in a child of three years.
- (b) Adult with traumatic rupture of the sclera following a blow with a brass knuckle.
- (c) Case of fibro-lymph adenoma of the nasal pharynx.

Dr. G. P. Wintermute presented a case of pan-

### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

The regular monthly meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held at the office of Dr. G. W. Walker on Friday evening, May 30. The following members were present: Drs. H. E. Sanderson, D. R. Powell, Mary Taylor, Minerva Goodman, Fred P. Clark, Barton J. Powell, C. F. English, J. D. Dameron, L. Dozier, G. W. Walker, Margaret H. Smyth and B. F. Walker, with Dr. J. W. Hammond of Byron as guest.

Dr. Barton J. Powell, chairman of the Committee on Medical Legislation, read the resolutions which the committee had drafted concerning same.

The business of the meeting having been concluded, the society listened to a paper on "Deformities of Septum and Face from Hypertrophies of the Lymphoid Ring" by Dr. G. W. Walker. It proved to be a very interesting and instructive paper, and the discussion which followed, while participated in chiefly by the specialists, was interesting to all.

The other paper of the evening was read by Dr. Minerva Goodman and gave a synopsis of her work as medical inspector in the public schools during the past year. The report showed that a large percentage of school children were suffering from defects of hearing and vision, affections of the heart and lungs and nervous disorders. One hundred and two children were operated on for adenoids and tonsils at the free clinic. Only 31 per cent. of the school children were found to be vaccinated.

The excellent work of Dr. Goodman was highly recommended by the members present, and on a motion by Dr. Taylor seconded by Dr. Powell, a resolution was passed by the Society endorsing the work done by Dr. Goodman, as medical inspector, and recommending a continuance of the work of medical inspection in the schools; a copy of this endorsement to be sent to the Board of School Directors. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

A special meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held June 6th at the office of Dr. W. J. Young for the purpose of making arrangements for the funeral of our late member, Dr. Ira B. Ladd. The members present were: Drs. F. P. Clark, C. F. English, B. J. Powell, D. R. Powell, L. Dozier, D. F. Ray, W. W. Fitzgerald, W. J. Young and R. T. McGurk.

After hearing the history of the illness that led to Dr. Ladd's death from Dr. Fitzgerald, the matter of resolutions was taken up, and on the motion of Dr. B. J. Powell, that a committee of three pointed Drs. D. F. Ray, L. R. Johnson and R. T. McGurk. The secretary was instructed to send a Gurk. The secretary was instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the family of Dr. Ladd and to put a copy in the minutes.

R. T. McGurk, Secretary.

### SANTA BARBARA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The Santa Barbara County Medical Society met in regular session at the Arlington Hotel on Monday, May 19, 1913, and was called to order by the Vice-President, Dr. Samuel P. Low. Present—Drs. Anderson, Barry, Brown, Low, C. S. Stoddard, Wells; a total of six members; necessary for

a quorum 3 members. The minutes of the preceding meeting, April 14, were read and approved. The chair called for clinical cases, Dr. Barry reporting a cyst of the back (neoplasm) removed under a weak solution of cocaine comp. Some discussion followed over the uses of cocaine as a local anesthetic: dangers and care required. Dr. C. S. Stoddard reported a case of Ascites in a female, notable for the rapid refilling of abdominal cavity after tapping. The paper of the evening by Dr. George S. Wells entitled, "Gleanings from Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Section" of recent State meeting at Oakland, was well received. The doctor dwelt upon some interesting cases of mastoid and radical mastoid operations, and skin grafting in connection therewith. Next followed some discussion on the use of serums and feeding the patient in typhoid. Adjourned.

The Santa Barbara County Medical Society met in regular session at the Arlington Hotel on Monday evening, June 9, 1913. In the absence of the President, Dr. T. A. Stoddard filling temporarily the post of ship surgeon in the Chinese-Japanese service; also the Vice-President, Dr. Samuel P. Low, Dr. C. S. Stoddard was elected to the chair and called the meeting to order. Present—Drs. Barry, Brown, C. S. Stoddard and Wells; a total of four members; necessary for a quorum three members. The minutes of the preceding meeting, May 19, were read and approved. Clinical cases: Dr. Wells reported an operation upon the septum of his own nose for deviation which consisted of a submucous resection. The surgery was done by a Los Angeles specialist and was remarkable for its entire painless character, using a few drops of 1% sol. cocaine. The Society discussed penetrating nail wounds of plantar surface of foot and the use of antitetanic serum in connection therewith. Dr. Barry reported a case in his own family in which 3000 units of serum were injected with seeming great benefit. The feature of the evening was the report of the recent State Convention in Oakland by the county delegate, Dr. Rexwald Brown. Dr. Brown also reported the founding of the College of Surgeons at Washington, D. C., of which he is a fellow. The meeting closed with an informal discussion of the annual State Medical Convention to be held in Santa Barbara next April.

WILLIAM T. BARRY, M. D., Secretary.

## BOOK REVIEWS

**"Golden Rules of Diagnosis and Treatment of Diseases."** By Henry A. Cables; second edition. Published by C. V. Mosby Co., St. Louis, 1913.

Upon the appearance of the first edition of this book the present reviewer took occasion to protest against the type of pseudo text-book that it exemplified. The book is a collection of medical platitudes, tiresomely expressed, inadequate in scope and not even as useful as a quiz-compend, if a quiz-compend can be called useful. This second edition is no improvement on the first.

G. H. T.

**The Operating Room and Patient, Third Edition Rewritten and Enlarged.** By Russell S. Fowler, M. D., Chief Surgeon First Division, German Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. Third Edition Rewritten and Enlarged. Octavo volume of 611 pages with 212 illustrations. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company, 1913. Cloth, \$3.50 net.

This is a book that may be well recommended to every surgeon and medical man as well. The new edition has been rewritten and enlarged and the clear, definite style proves very satisfactory to the less experienced operator.

M. I. J.

**"Clinical Laboratory Methods."** By Roger Sylvester Morris, A. B., M. B. Published by D. Appleton & Co., New York and London. 1911.

The author's aim is to produce "a manual of technique and morphology designed for the use of students and practitioners of medicine," and "no attempt has been made to include within the present volume a multiplicity of methods." He justly contends that too much time is, as a rule, devoted to the interpretation of the results of an examination and the test put in such a way that it is out of reach of the busy practitioner and student. The author gives no interpretations and only the simple tests which is a blessing to one whose time is limited and anxious for results. The ground has been well covered, although several very good short tests have been omitted. The book is well written and will certainly be an aid in any laboratory.

R. B. T.

**The Modern Hospital; Its Inspiration; Its Architecture; Its Equipment; Its Operation.** By John A. Hornsby, M. D., Secretary Hospital Section, American Medical Association; Member American Hospital Association, etc., and Richard E. Schmidt, Architect, Fellow American Institute of Architects. Octavo volume of 644 pages with 207 illustrations. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company, 1913. Cloth, \$7.00 net; half morocco, \$8.50 net.

The dearth of literature on hospital architecture, equipment and operation makes all additions extremely welcome, especially the present one which covers the subject in a very comprehensive way; in fact more so than any other book that has been published to date. The frankness with which many of the problems that are worrying all hospital workers are discussed is very pleasing and will well repay careful reading. In the part devoted to the operation of hospitals the writer seems to frequently forget that conditions in all parts of the United States are not the same as in Chicago.

W. R. D.

**Internal Medicine.** By David Bovaird, Jr. Published by J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia and London, 1912. Price, \$5.00.

"The purpose of the present work is to supply the framework of internal medicine." This sentence from the author's preface explains the aim sought and very satisfactorily attained. Even a volume of 618 pages will not hold more than the outline of the subject. Therefore, statements are made dogmatically, even on controversial subjects. The volume is frankly a text-book, and a considerable amount of dogmatism is demanded in a successful text-book.

On the whole, Dr. Bovaird's views seem sound and conservative and at the same time up-to-date. It is remarkable what an amount of knowledge is here compressed into a small volume. The book can be heartily recommended to others than students who for one reason or another prefer to have their knowledge presented in terse and attractive form, rather than in essays and controversial discussions.

J. L. W.

**Muller's Serodiagnostic Methods.** By Ross C. Whitman, B. A., M. D. J. B. Lippincott Company, publishers, Philadelphia and London. 1913.

Muller's "Serodiagnostic Methods" has already reached its third German edition and has been translated into English by Whitman. The rapidly broadening field of Serologic Study is responsible for repeated publications. While purposing to be purely a practical manual, it is in reality a Compendium of most of the Serologic tests and their modifications that have been suggested. The work embraces alike those tests that are established, experimental and valueless, without any regard to